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Application of: Dean A. FALB *et al.*

Application No.: 08/799,910

Group Art Unit: 1633

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Examiner: D. NGUYEN

For: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR THE TREATMENT AND DIAGNOSIS OF CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE USING FCHD605 AS A TARGET (AS AMENDED) Attorney Docket No.: 7853-067

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231  
**BOX CPA**

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-captioned application, please enter the following amendments and remarks into the file. Applicant submit concurrently herewith: (a) a copy of the claims as they will be pending upon entry of the following amendment (Exhibit A).

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to PENNIE & EDMONDS LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150.